



Family Readiness Group Newsletter



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From the 16th CSG Commander COL Joseph Brown

Greetings to all of those families of the 16th Corps Support Group who are back in Germany or in the U.S.

I just want you to know that our soldiers, your soldiers, are doing an absolutely fantastic job here. I also know that you are equally proud of them as I am...and that you should be!

Every single member of this great team is critical to our mission. Each has an important job and they are all meeting the challenges in preparing for whatever mission we are called upon to do. They are making you proud and America proud!

I would also like to extend a BIG thank-you to our Family Readiness Group and our Rear Detachment for doing such an



outstanding job during the early stages of this deployment. The spouses that volunteer of their own free time have my deepest gratitude. Major Darik Dvorshak is also to be commended for stepping up to the plate and providing the requisite leadership needed to make family readiness a reality and successful—all at the same time.

The fact of the matter is that our soldiers can't focus on their mission if they are worried whether or not their loved ones are being taken care oftrust me they know that the support system is in place back in Germany if families require assistance.

Again, thanks for all you do—you, the families of the 16th CSG, are really the KEY TO VICTORY!

From the HHC Commander CPT Matthew A. Anderson

To the families and soldiers remaining in Hanau, Thank-you for your strength. We are in good hands here and hope to all return home safely very soon.



Please look out for each other and comfort the newer spouses during this trying time. We will all get through this deployment through unity and communication.

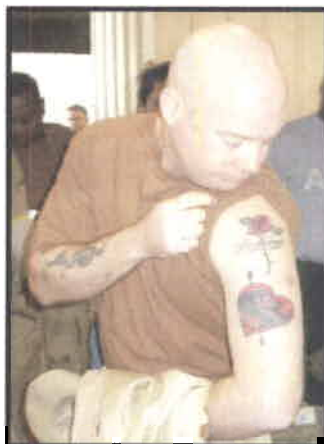
This newsletter is just one tool to keep the information flow between soldiers in Kuwait and the families standing tall at home.

Keep your heads up, the soldiers here are doing a great job and I am proud to serve as their Commander during this important time in history. God bless you all.

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Greetings from the Desert

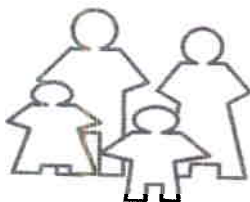


SFC Stoner

- ◆ "I'm trying to work on my tan here, but the sergeant major keeps telling me to put on some clothes." **SFC Hoback**
- ◆ "I'm so happy to be a soldier and fight for other people's freedom and rights". **SPC Beudion**
- ◆ "Tell Mrs. Delena Stoner and Denzale that I miss them and love them very much". **SFC Stoner**
- ◆ "Tell all the family members that I am taking care of their loved ones here in Kuwait. You all take care of each other back there. See you soon." **SGM Holloway**

Upcoming March FRG Meeting

- ♦ The next **Family Readiness Group meeting** will be on **Wednesday, March 12, 2003** at 1800 in the **Chapel Annex**.
- ♦ **Potluck Dinner:** Key Callers to bring Main Dishes. All others to bring Side dishes or Desserts. Drinks provided.
- ♦ **MAKE IT, BAKE IT, CREATE IT Silent Auction**— proceeds to go to FRG Fund. Be creative.
- ♦ **MAKE IT** ideas include jellies or other jarred items, a painting, a drawing, wreaths, a sewn item or other handcraft.
- ♦ **BAKE IT** ideas include cookies, cakes, brownies, pies etc.
- ♦ **CREATE IT** ideas include creating a themed basket. Maybe a Pamper Yourself Basket, a Baby Basket, a Movie Basket. It could also be as simple as a gift certificate offering childcare for an evening out.
- ♦ All items in the auction will begin at a set value made by the individual providing it and be added to in \$1.00 increments. At the end of the evening the person with the highest bid on each item gets to



keep that item. Bids will be made throughout the evening.

- ♦ **Please bring a card table if you have one.**
- ♦ Cameras will be available to make **video messages and digital photos** to send to your loved ones in Kuwait. So bring the kids!
- ♦ **Plans for April** discussed. Possibly an Easter Egg Hunt in the works or a Spring Picnic.
- ♦ **See you there!!**
****Janet****

Community Happenings in Hanau

- ♦ Stay tuned to **Community Happenings** by picking up a copy of the Herald Union and checking out the Hanau Community website at www.hanau.army.mil
- ♦ **Reminder** The **Hanau APO** (Wolfgang) remains open on Saturdays from 1000-1400 on a trial basis until 29 March 2003.
- ♦ The **TAX Center** is **FREE** and located in the basement of building 2 on Pioneer Kaserne. Hours are Mon-Wed & Fri, 0800-1630 and Thu 1200-2000. It will remain open until June.
- ♦ Expect to see 100% ID checks at both the PX and Commissary due to rise in unauthorized patrons.
- ♦ Parents interested in learning more about **deployment stress in children** are encouraged to attend **parent briefings** which will be held at each of the Hanau area schools. Contact ACS at CIV (06181) 88-8965/8963 or individual schools for dates and times.

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"Keeping the Front Lines Supplied"

(L to R) SSG Wilson, SGM Holloway, SSG Koder, LTC Sage, PFC Prescott, SFC Kramer, MAJ Kanney, CPT Knierem, SPC Beudion, SFC Stoner, SPC Garcia, CW2 Brooks, SPC Potter, CPT Gemin, SGT Miller, SPC Hill



SSG Woodard, Camp DOHA



MSG Bestor in C-17



TOC Badges, Camp DOHA

Very Important Address

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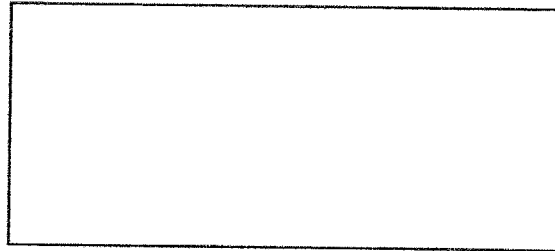
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Quote of the Month

Sure as I am this day we are
masters of our fate, that the task which
has been set before us is not above our
strength; that its pangs and toils are not
beyond our endurance. As long as we
have faith in our own cause and an
unconquerable will to win, victory will
not be denied us.

Winston Churchill

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						1 Fasching Parade HANAU
2	3 Rosenmontag	4 Faschingdienstag	5 ASH WEDNESDAY	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 FRG Meeting 1800 in Chapel Annex	13	14	15
16	17 St Patrick's Day	18	19	20 First day of Spring	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	